

פַּעַם אֶחָד בָּאתִי אֵלָיו ז"ל, וְסֵפֶר לִי

Boaz and Ruth

THE TEACHING

Reb Noson tells that he once came to Rebbe Nachman, who said that a certain rabbi had just visited, and the Rebbe had taught him Torah. Reb Noson was not worthy to have it repeated; he heard only that it was about Boaz and Ruth (בְּעֵז וְרוּת).

Boaz and Ruth are “סוד סמיכת גאֵלָה לְתַפְלָה” (תַּפְלָה and גֵּאֵלָה), the secret of joining redemption to prayer. It was clear from his words that he revealed a lofty teaching here, but Reb Noson did not get to hear it.

MAIN POINTS

- Boaz is the aspect of the redeemer (גואֵל), as he says: “כִּי גואֵל אֲנִי” (רות ג:יב), “for I am a redeemer.”
- Ruth is the aspect of prayer, as our Sages said: “לָמָּה נִקְרָא שְׁמָהּ רוּת?”, why was she called Ruth? “שִׁיִּצָּא מִמֶּנָּה דָּוִד” (ברכות ז:), because from her came David, who saturated (רָוָה) the Holy One with songs and praises.
- Reb Noson also heard that the Rebbe said: all the very lofty insights he attains (הַשְּׂגוּת) do not compare, in his eyes, with any word he reveals to the world.
- For on every single word he reveals to the world “תְּלוּיִים בּוֹ כָּל הָעוֹלָמוֹת, עֲלִיוֹנִים וְתַתְּיוֹנִים”, “all the worlds depend, upper and lower.”
- Reb Noson explains: the insights he keeps hidden are surely thousands of times higher. Yet they are not so precious to him, since they do not bring merit to Israel (מְצֻכָּה אֶת יִשְׂרָאֵל). What matters most to him is when people get to hear a word from him.

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